PAPILIO IO.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Antennæ apicem versus crassiores, sæpius clavato-capitatae.

Alæ (sedentis) erectæ fursumque conniventes, (volatu diurno.)

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 744.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PAPILIO alis angulato-dentatis fulvis nigro-maculatis ; singulis ocello cæruleo.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 2290.

Nymph. gemmat.

OCULUS pavonis.

Goed. inf. t. 1.

Merian inf. Eur. 1. t. 26.

Roef. inf. 1. t. 3.

Urticas depascitur larva pulcherrimi hujus papilionis ; indeque extrema cauda dependens, ut cernere est in tabula, in chrysalidem convertitur mense Julio ; e qua erumpit papilio incipiente Augusto.

R.V.

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THE
PEACOCK BUTTERFLY.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Antennæ commonly thickening towards the end into a clavated tip.

Wings (when at rest) meeting upwards. (Flight diurnal.)

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Orange-brown BUTTERFLY, with angular, dentated wings, spotted with black; with a large blue-shaded eye on each wing.

Alb. inf. pl. 3.

Reaum. inf. 1. t. 25. fig. 1. 2.

Wilk. pap. 55. pl. 3. A. 2.

Harr. aures. pl. 8. f. k. i.

The caterpillar or larva of this most beautiful butterfly feeds on nettles, and commonly changes into a chrysalis in July; hanging by the tail, as expressed in the plate. The Fly appears in the beginning of August.

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